Mr. K. M. Ibrahim :— Is it not your point that you prefer a comparatively larger Christian community to a microscopically minority community of Mohammedans?

Mr. P. V. Raphael :— It is not a microscopically minority community there.

Mr. K. Ayyappan :— Were there any elected Christian members?

Mr. P. V. Raphael :— No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :— May I know whether the Government have any information about the age of this Panchayat?

Mr. P. V. Raphael :— About 10 years.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :— During these ten years was any attempt made at least to give one nomination for this community?

Mr. P. V. Raphael — During these ten years we could not find a single one who was competent to become a member.

Batta of Process Servers of Civil Courts.

103. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :— Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) Whether it has done anything subsequent to the last Budget Session to renew the batta or T. A. formerly allowed to process servers of Civil Courts ;

(b) At what stage is the matter at present?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— (a) Yes.

(b) The matter is under correspondence with the Judges of the Chief Court.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :— Am I to take it that the matter is in correspondence with the Judges of the Chief Court?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— We have addressed a letter to the Registrar of the Chief Court.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :— Is there no information from the Chief Court?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— Not yet.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :—Had any reference been made to the Comptroller of Accounts?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— A reference was made to the Comptroller of Accounts and after receiving his report a

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reference was made to the Chief Court Registrar. I do not think his report has come.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan :— May I know the nature of the information supplied by the Comptroller of Accounts?

Rama Varmha Tampuran:— It is too early now to divulge such things.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon :— Was there not a petition from the process servers to the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— I do not remember. There might have been. Now, that does not affect the merits of the issue raised in the question.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan:— May I know what the point referred to the Comptroller of Accounts was?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— It will not be fair either for the Government or for this House to discuss these points at this stage.

Hospitals and Dispensaries in the State—medicines purchased for.

104. Mr. Paul Mampilli:— Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) The amounts spent for the purchase of medicines for the use of hospitals and dispensaries in the State in each of the last five years;

(b) The quantity of medicines purchased in each of such years?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao :—

		Rs.
(a)	1105	97,671
	1106	1,10,944
	1107	1,13,875
	1108	1,28,455
	1109	1,36,969

(b) To collect the statistics will take much time and labour and cannot be undertaken except by engaging a special staff for the purpose.

Mr. Paul Mampilli :— Don't you keep registers with regard to the purchase made every year?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao :— Yes.

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